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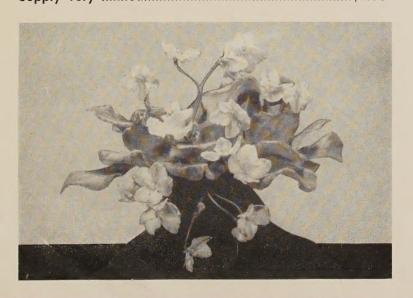
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Most Unusual Brussels Sprouts

The "Parrot Tulip" of African Violets. Every collector will want this plant . . a novelty definitely in a class by itself. The super-double blooms are deeply fringed and have petals that are almost leafy in texture. Color varies from silver-green on the underside to deep purple in the centers of the flowers. Blooms seldom fully open but instead remain as miniature "Brussels Sprouts".

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A stately blue which was judged best unnamed double seedling at last year's National African Violet Convention. Flowers are huge, the largest doubles we have ever seen, measuring up to $1\frac{1}{2}$ " in diameter.

The color—a gorgeous royal blue. Many blooms also retain the distinctive yellow eye. With profuse flowering and heavy, yet supple foliage, this plant is rich in aspect . . truly Monarch of the Doubles......................\$2.50



Most Exquisite

Aurora

A Brand New Color! These flowers are a most delicate blue, subtly diffused with a blending white. Backs of petals are also a tinted white and blooms have a slight decorative fringe. Blossoms are borne on reddish purple stems. The whole color effect, silhouetted on the bright green leafy field, is most striking. Plants are exceptionally free flowering and blossoms hold well. An outstanding value, for only



More Lovely Violet Hybrids







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SINGLES

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TEAR DROP

DOUBLES

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